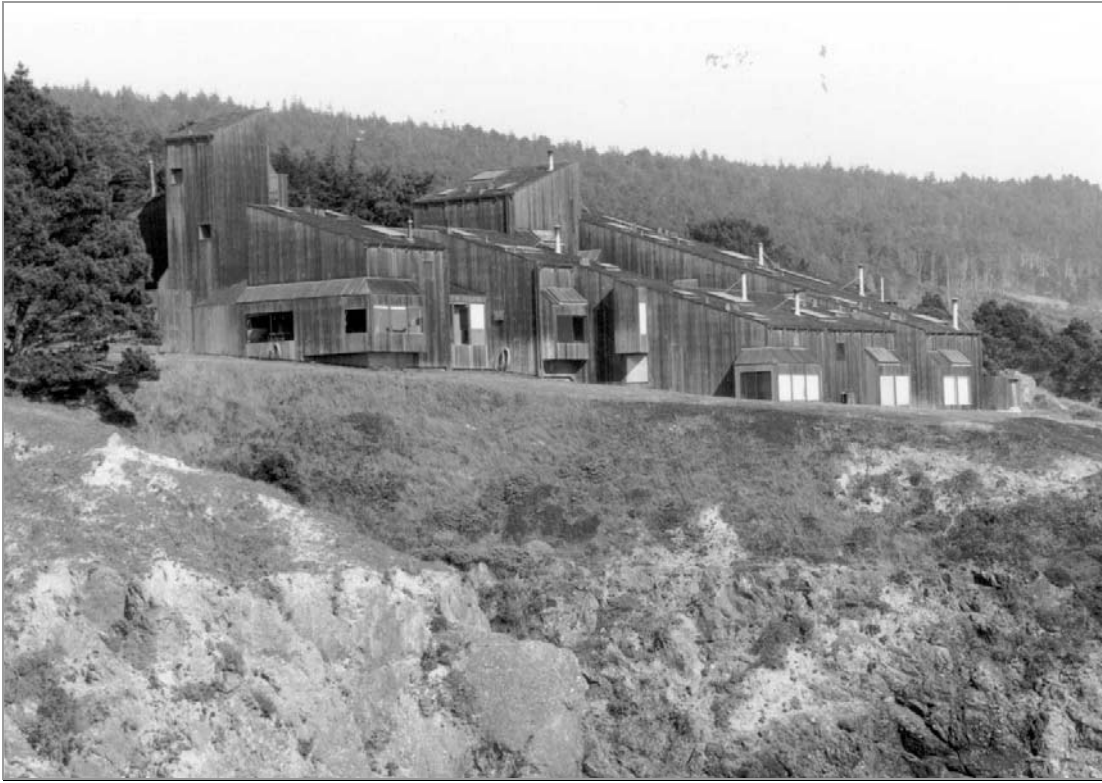


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Condominium 1, The Sea Ranch, Sonoma County, California. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places on July 28, 2005, as the work of master architects Moore, Lyndon, Turnball, and Whitaker.
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Thomas Gould, Jr. Residence, Ventura, Los Angeles County California. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places on December 23, 2005, for its statewide significance as the work of master architect Henry Mather Greene. *(Photograph by Carly Caryn, Historic Resources Group)*

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RE: *State Historical Resources Commission's 2005 Annual Report*

Dear Director Coleman:

On behalf of my colleagues serving on the State Historical Resources Commission, I wish to convey the gratitude of the Commission for the long-term support you have shown for the Commission and its closely allied state office, the Office of Historic Preservation. The Commission and the Office work together extraordinarily well, but neither could succeed in its historic preservation mission without strong support from State Parks.

Please find herewith the Commission's *Annual Report* for the past year that includes a summary of the Commission's accomplishments in 2005 and its goals and objectives for the coming year, 2006. The most exciting event of 2005 occurred near the end of the year, following our meeting on November 4, in which six new Commissioners were appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger. These new Commissioners hail from all parts of the state and have excellent academic and professional credentials. The newly-reconstituted Commission has yet to meet as a group, but I am confident it will continue the long tradition of thoughtful discourse that has characterized the operations of the Commission through the years.

This report documents the accomplishments of what was a very busy year for the Commission. The Commission and the Office of Historic Preservation made a conscious effort to reach out to communities and groups not actively served by the Office and the Commission in the past. The Commission met, for example, in Bakersfield in February and in Fresno in November, reaching out to the major communities of the San Joaquin Valley.

A major achievement of the Office and the Commission during this year was preparation and approval of a five-year plan for the operations of the Office. This plan is required by the National Park Service for California to participate in the federal historic preservation program and to receive funding from the Historic Preservation Fund. The five-year plan sets priorities for the office between 2006 and 2010.

Ms. Coleman
January 1, 2006
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The report also documents grants awarded by the Commission and the Office to local governments in California. This money is part of the federal Historic Preservation Fund grant to California, ten percent of which must be set aside for local partners, or Certified Local Governments.

Please accept this report on the annual achievements for the State Historical Resources Commission. Again, we thank you for your support in the past and look forward to working very closely with you in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luis G. Hoyos', with a stylized, flowing script.

Luis G. Hoyos, AIA
Chairperson

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INTRODUCTION

The State Historical Resources Commission is pleased to present the 2005 Annual Report of the Commission to the Director of California State Parks, and to the California State Legislature. The Annual Report summarizes the activities of the State Historical Resources Commission in 2005, identifies future preservation goals in 2006, and recommends historic preservation legislation pursuant to the provisions of PRC, Section 5020.4 (m). A complete description of the powers and duties of the State Historical Resources Commission is provided in Section 5024.2-4 of the Public Resources Code.



John Cottrell House, Eureka, Humboldt County, California. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places on September 28, 2005, as an excellent representation of Queen Anne architecture at the local level of significance. (Photograph by Katharine Eagan)

LIST OF MEMBERS AND DISCIPLINES

The State Historical Resources Commission is comprised of nine members, appointed by the Governor of California, who serve four year terms. Five commissioners are specialists in the fields of history, pre-historic archeology, historic archeology, and architectural history. Two commissioners are experienced professionals in ethnic history and folklife. The remaining commissioners are public members.

In 2005, three commissioners, Anthea M. Hartig, Ph.D., Philip P. Choy, and William R. Hildebrandt, Ph.D., retired from the Commission. At the February 4, 2005, Commission meeting Commissioner Lauren W. Bricker was elected Chairperson to replace the vacancy left by Commissioner Hartig. Commissioner Luis G. Hoyos was then elected to the vacancy of Vice Chairperson.

2005 STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Commissioners	Discipline	Term
Hon. Claire W. Bogaard Pasadena, CA	Public Member	August 2002 – August 2006
Hon. Lauren W. Bricker, Ph.D. Chairperson Vice Chairperson Redlands, CA	Architectural History	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Philip P. Choy San Francisco, CA	Ethnic History	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Kathleen Green Sacramento, CA	Folklife	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Anthea M. Hartig, Ph.D. Chairperson Riverside, CA	History	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Wm. R. Hildebrandt, Ph.D. Davis, CA	Prehistoric Archeology	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Luis G. Hoyos, AIA Vice Chairperson Los Angeles, CA	Historic Architecture	August 2002 – August 2006
Hon. Mary L. Maniery Sacramento, CA	Historic Archeology	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Carol L. Novey Rocklin, CA	Public Member	June 2001 – June 2005

At the November 4, 2005, Commission meeting, elections were held for the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson positions. In a unanimous vote, Commissioner Luis G. Hoyos was elected Chairperson and Commissioner Claire Bogaard was elected Vice Chairperson. Six new commissioners were appointed to the Commission by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger on November 11, 2005. The new members serve to replace commissioners with expired terms, and to fill three vacancies left by retired commissioners. The new commissioners were sworn into service prior to convening in 2006.

2006 STATE HISTORICAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Commissioners	Discipline	Term
Hon. Claire W. Bogaard Vice Chairperson Pasadena, CA	Public Member	August 2002 – August 2006
Hon. Trish Fernandez Placerville, CA	Historic Archeology	November 2005 – November 2009
Hon. Donn Grenda, Ph.D. Redlands, CA	Historic Archeology	November 2005 – November 2009
Hon. Fernando Guerra, Ph.D. Los Angeles, CA	Folklife	November 2005 – November 2009
Hon. Luis G. Hoyos, AIA Chairperson Los Angeles, CA	Historic Architecture	August 2002 – August 2006
Hon. Rick Moss Alameda, CA	History	November 2005 – November 2009
Hon. Carol L. Novey Rocklin, CA	Public Member	June 2001 – June 2005
Hon. Julianne Polanco San Francisco, CA	Architectural History	November 2005 – November 2009
Hon. Richard Shek Carmichael, CA	Ethnic History	November 2005 – November 2009

ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE COMMISSION 2005

The State Historical Resources Commission had considerable accomplishments in 2005. As supporters of California State Parks' Great Central Valley Initiative, the Commission held its quarterly meetings in communities throughout the Central Valley. At these meetings, the Commission recommended 35 properties to the National Register of Historic Places. Five properties were approved for listing on the California Register of Historical Resources, two properties as California State Historical Landmarks, and two properties as California Points of Historical Interest. The specific accomplishments of the Commission are highlighted in the following sections:

- Meetings Held in 2005
- Nominations Heard by the Commission
- Governor's Award for Historic Preservation
- Adoption of the Comprehensive Statewide Historic Preservation Plan
- Preservation Grant Funds for Certified Local Governments
- Committee Activities



Corona High School, Corona, Riverside County, California. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places on August 3, 2005 at the local level of significance. The property contains three buildings designed by master architect G. Stanley Wilson. It served as Corona's only high school from 1923 until the 1960s. (Photograph by Richard Winn, Corona Historic Preservation Society)

Meetings Held in 2005

Section 5020.3(a) Public Resources Code: "The State Historical Resources Commission shall meet at least four times per year in places it deems necessary to fulfill its responsibilities." The Commission held its meetings in the Central Valley, beginning the year in Bakersfield and ending in Fresno. The May 12, 2005, meeting coincided with the California Preservation Foundation's annual conference, an event sponsored by the Office of Historic Preservation and California State Parks.

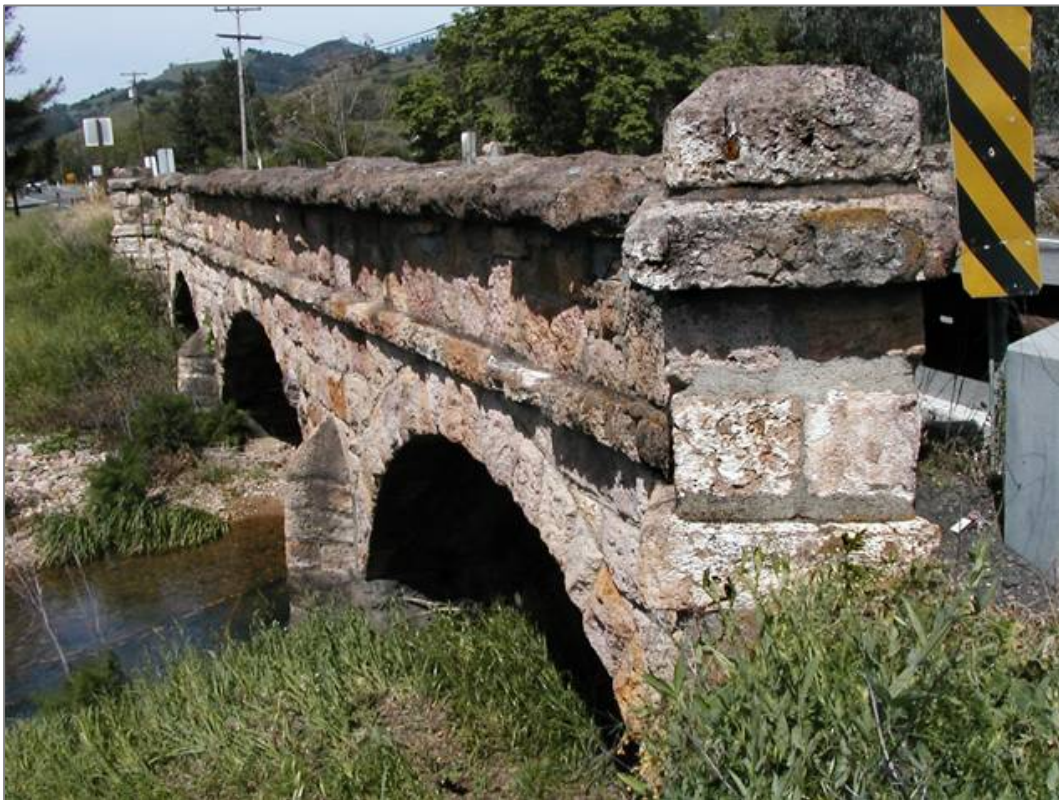
The table below lists the specific meeting locations for 2005.

Date	Meeting Type	Location
February 3, 2005	Workshop	Fellows Hotel, Kern County Museum 3801 Chester Avenue Bakersfield, California
February 4, 2005	Commission Meeting	Kern County Board of Supervisors Chambers 1115 Truxtun Avenue, First Floor Bakersfield, California
May 11, 2005	Workshop	Riverside City Library Auditorium 3581 Mission Avenue, 2nd Floor Riverside, California
May 12, 2005	Commission Meeting	Riverside City Hall Art Pick Council Chamber 3900 Main Street, First Floor Riverside, California
August 4, 2005	Workshop	Resources Building California State Parks 1416 9th Street, 14th Floor Sacramento, California
August 5, 2005	Commission Meeting	Resources Building Resources Auditorium 1416 9th Street, First Floor Sacramento, California
November 3, 2005	Workshop	Fresno City Hall 2600 Fresno Street, 2 nd Floor Room 2120S (Room C) Fresno, California
November 4, 2005	Commission Meeting	Fresno City Hall City Council Chambers 2600 Fresno Street, Second Floor Fresno, California

Nominations Heard by the Commission

The State Historical Resources Commission is responsible for reviewing, commenting, and approving applications submitted for heritage resource designation for the National Register of Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources, California Historical Landmarks, and California Points of Historical Interests. The Commission recommends properties for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Those that are approved for listing by the National Park Service are also listed in the California Register of Historical Resources. Those properties recommended and approved for listing by the Commission as California State Historical Landmarks, and California State Points of Historical Interests are also listed on the California Register of Historical Resources.

The following pages contain a summary of each registration program and a list of nominations heard by the Commission in 2005.



Garnett Creek Bridge, SR 29, Calistoga, Napa County, California. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places on August 5, 2005, at the local level of significance as a good example of a masonry arch bridge. (Photograph by Stacie Ham, Napa Landmarks, Inc.)

National Register of Historic Places

The National Register of Historic Places is the nation's official listing of buildings, structures, objects, sites, and districts worthy of preservation because of their significance in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture. The program recognizes resources that have local, state, and national significance. The properties below were heard by the Commission in 2005, and were recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

Those properties with an asterisk (*) are waiting for approval from the National Park Service and have **not** been listed as of December 31, 2005.

Table 1: Properties Recommended for Listing in 2005

County	City	Resource Name
Alameda	Berkeley	Weston Havens House*
		Panoramic Hill
Contra Costa	Orinda	Charles W. Merrill House
Fresno	Fresno	San Joaquin Light and Power Company Building*
Humboldt	Eureka	John A. Cottrell House
Imperial	Calexico	Calexico Carnegie Library
Lassen	Standish	Standish Hall
Los Angeles	Long Beach	Long Beach Professional Building
		Second Church of Christ Scientist
	Los Angeles	El Cabrillo
		Hotel Chancellor*
		Kerckoff Building & Annex
		Santa Fe Coast Line Hospital*
		Santa Fe Freight Depot*
		Sears, Roebuck & Company Mail Order Building*
		Security First Bank of Los Angeles

County	City	Resource Name
Los Angeles (cont.)	Los Angeles (cont.)	Textile Center Building
Mariposa	Hornitos	Hornitos Masonic Hall No. 98
Monterey	Monterey	G. T. Marsh & Sons*
Napa	Aetna Springs vicinity	Swartz Creek Bridge on Aetna Springs Road
	Calistoga	Garnett Creek Bridge on CA 29
	Calistoga vicinity	Garnett Creek Bridge on Greenwood Avenue
	Locoallomi vicinity	Maxwell Creek Bridge on Hardin Road
	Napa vicinity	Carneros Creek Bridge on Old Sonoma Road
	St. Helena vicinity	Napa River Bridge on Zinfandel Lane
Riverside	Corona	Corona High School
San Diego	San Diego	Gregory Mountain*
		Holzwasser Building
		Salk Institute for Biological Sciences*
San Francisco	San Francisco	John Spencer House
Santa Clara	Campbell	John Colpitts Ainsley House
Solano	Vacaville	Pleasants Ranch*
Sonoma	Sonoma	Temelec*
	The Sea Ranch	Condominium 1
Ventura	Ventura	Thomas Gould, Jr. Residence

At its August 5, 2005, meeting the Commission approved The Ramona in West Hollywood, Los Angeles County, as being eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Properties cannot be listed on the National Register of Historic Places without the owner's consent. Therefore, The Ramona was not listed. At the same meeting the Commission also approved additional documentation for the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places of the Chateau Colline in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.



Pleasants Ranch, Solano County, California. Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places at the local level of significance on November 4, 2005. The ranch is associated with an important period of development of Solano County agriculture. It is also an excellent example of a turn-of-the-century ranch complex with an architect-designed 1890s farmhouse.

(Photograph by Carol Roland, Roland-Nawi Associates)

California Register of Historical Resources

The California Register of Historical Resources is a program designed by the Commission for use by state and local government agencies, private groups and citizens to identify, evaluate, register and protect California's historical resources. The program encourages public recognition and protection of resources of architectural, historical, archeological and cultural significance, identifies historical resources for state and local planning purposes, determines eligibility for state historic preservation grant funding and affords certain protections under the California Environmental Quality Act. The properties listed below were approved by the Commission for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources.

Table 2: Properties Approved for Listing in 2005

County	City	Resource Name
Los Angeles	Venice	Lincoln Place
San Bernardino	San Bernardino	Stephens & Bobbitt Mortuary
San Diego	San Diego	Felmann-Morgan House
San Joaquin	Ripon	Markham Hotel
San Joaquin	Stockton	Oak Lawn/Shippee Ranch



Oak Lawn / Shippee Ranch, Stockton, San Joaquin County, California. Listed on the California Register of Historical Places on May 12, 2005, for its association with L. U. Shippee, one of the Stockton area's pioneer agriculturalists.

(Photograph by Leslie Crow)

California State Historical Landmarks

California Historical Landmarks are sites, buildings, features, or events that are of statewide significance and have anthropological, cultural, military, political, architectural, economic, scientific or technical, religious, experimental, or other value. Properties approved for landmark status must qualify under one of the following criteria: 1) The first, last, only, or most significant of its type in the state or within a large geographic region; 2) Associated with an individual or group having a profound influence on the history of California; or 3) A prototype of, or an outstanding example of, a period, style, architectural movement or construction or is one of the more notable works or the best surviving work in a region of a pioneer architect, designer or master builder. The properties listed below were approved as California Historical Landmarks Number 1043 and Number 1044.

Table 3: Properties Approved as Landmarks in 2005

County	City	Resource Name
Butte	Oroville	Mother Orange Tree
San Diego County	San Diego	Giant Dipper Roller Coaster



Giant Dipper Roller Coaster, San Diego, San Diego County, California. Became California State Historical Landmark #1044, on August 5, 2005, for its state and national significance. This large wooden roller coaster is one of only two such roller coasters remaining on the West Coast. (Photograph by Wendy Crain-Operator)

California State Points of Historical Interest

California Points of Historical Interest are sites, buildings, features, or events that are of local (city or county) significance and have anthropological, cultural, military, political, architectural, economic, scientific or technical, religious, experimental, or other value. The property must meet one of the same criteria required under the California State Historical Landmarks program. However, a property cannot be listed under both these programs. The properties listed below were approved as Points of Historical Interest by the Commission.

Table 4: Properties Approved as Points of Historical Interest in 2005

County	Location	Resource Name
Ventura	Camarillo	Camarillo House and Rancho
Los Angeles	Topanga	Topanga Christian Fellowship Church



Camarillo Ranch House, Camarillo, Ventura County, California. Listed as a California Point of Historical Interest on August 5, 2005. Property is associated with Adolfo Camarillo who lived in the house between 1892 and 1952. It is also an outstanding example of Queen Anne designs remaining in Ventura County. *(Photograph by Jennifer Mermilliod, M.A., JM Research and Consulting)*

Governor's Historic Preservation Award

The Governor's Historic Preservation Award was started in 1986 by Governor George Deukmejian. The awards program is distinguished from other preservation awards in two important respects: it emphasizes involvement by community groups; and it recognizes a broad array of preservation activities, from building rehabilitation to archaeology, to interpretation, to preservation planning. The awards exist to give praise to the hundreds of groups and local agencies that do all different types of important preservation work throughout the state, usually without even a small part of the recognition they deserve.

The 12 winners for 2005 were selected by staff of the Office of Historic Preservation (OHP) and the Commission. The awards ceremony was hosted by California State Parks and the OHP at the Leland Stanford Mansion State Historic Park. Commissioners Carol Novey and Mary Maniery represented the Commission at the awards ceremony.

Highlighted below are the twelve winners of the 2005 Governor's Historic Preservation Award.

California History & Genealogy Room of the Fresno County Public Library for Research into the Life of Henry P. Villalon

This award is for historic research in support of historic preservation designation. The County of Fresno is preparing to nominate its 1937 Moderne Hall of Records, for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. As a first step, the county commissioned a detailed history of the building and its designer, Henry P. Villalon, relying upon the considerable talents of John Edward Powell, the dean of architectural history in the San Joaquin Valley. Mr. Powell's report is a model for scholarly research in support of historic preservation. In taking this careful approach, Fresno County will not only preserve this keystone of its architectural heritage but also the history of the man, Henry P. Villalon, who was principally responsible for it.

Campo de Cahuenga Historical Memorial Association for Campo de Cahuenga Memorial Park

This award recognizes the exceptional efforts of the Campo de Cahuenga Historical Memorial Association, and the City of Los Angeles in the interpretation of priceless historical archaeological resources. Historical archaeologists uncovered the foundation for this old adobe building, which extends through a park and under Lankershim Boulevard. The non-profit association that manages the museum for the city has developed an ingenious plan that illustrates the foundation for the original Campo building, even where it extends under the pavement on Lankershim Boulevard.

City of San Jose Planning, Building & Code Enforcement, Redevelopment Agency, and Historic Landmarks Commission, and the Japantown Community Congress of San Jose for San Jose Japantown Historic Context and Reconnaissance Survey

This award recognizes one of the most innovative efforts in California to inventory and evaluate historic resources associated with an ethnic community, in this case “Japantown” in San Jose. This survey grew out of the efforts of a committee of representatives of various City of San Jose agencies and the Japantown Community Congress, a non-profit neighborhood association. The document is a lengthy history and reconnaissance survey that analyzes San Jose’s Japantown in the larger context of the Japanese American experience in California. In a second phase, the groups will prepare formal nominations for federal, state, and local recognition.

Coachella Valley Historical Society for the Indio Schoolhouse Restoration

In 1999, the 1909 Indio Schoolhouse, the original school building in the Coachella Valley, was threatened with demolition. The Coachella Valley Historical Society secured a new site for the building on city-owned land, raised money from various civic groups and individuals, and moved and restored the building on its new site, across the street from the Society’s historical museum. Although relying on volunteer labor, the Society was able to restore the building in a manner that was consistent with its historic appearance. It is now open for visitors, especially school children, who can experience first-hand the one-room school environment in which their great-grandparents were schooled when the Coachella Valley was first settled as an agricultural community.

Friends of China Lake Archeology for the China Lake Archeological Lab and Curation Facility

This award recognizes an unusual effort to marry curation of archaeological artifacts and preservation of historic buildings. The Naval Air Weapons Station at China Lake is home to some of the most important archaeological sites and rock art in the nation. For decades, the station had limited curation facilities. In July of 2002, the Friends of China Lake Archaeology learned that an historic building, scheduled for demolition, was available for use for this purpose. Volunteers remodeled the building, organized materials, and catalogued collections. Collections scattered around California and beyond were gathered and made available to researchers. The award is for a public-private partnership that saved a historic building from demolition while providing for curation of important artifacts and establishing a research facility.

Helena Modjeska Foundation for its Support of the Modjeska House

The Helena Modjeska Foundation has since 1992 assisted the County of Orange in managing the Helen Modjeska House. The house was designed by Stanford White for Shakespearean actress Helena Modjeska, and is now owned by the county, but administered by the Foundation. The Foundation carries out day to day activities at the park: conducting tours (often in period dress), creating exhibits, acquiring artifacts and raising funds to maintain the park. More recently, it has completed a new interpretive native plant garden in tribute to Theodore Payne, the botanist who was once a landscaper for Madame Modjeska.

Oakland Heritage Alliance for Neighborhood Walking Tours

This award recognizes excellence in the efforts of the Oakland Heritage Alliance to provide walking tours of important historic resources in that community. Each of the more than 16 walking tours features landmarks, history, and architecture, as well as pictures and anecdotes to help define each neighborhood's past. Volunteer docents who have led tours include nationally known and published experts, local history journalists, practicing architects, landscape architects, museum curators, historians, academics, archaeologists, Port of Oakland personnel, planners, history librarians, and City of Oakland Survey staff.

Pacific Coast Archeological Society for the PCAS Quarterly

This award recognizes the efforts of the Pacific Coast Archaeological Society, a non-profit organization that has since 1961 promoted a greater public understanding of California's prehistory and history, chiefly through its publication, the Pacific Coast Archaeological Quarterly. PCAS volunteers have been producing the Quarterly for more than forty years. The Quarterly is used by the profession, policy makers from local to federal, and Native Americans to protect and interpret our past. Articles are reviewed and juried. The publication prints articles about California prehistory written by academic, avocational, government, and consulting archaeologists, some publishing for the first time, others who are nationally recognized. The award commends PCAS as a model for how to make scientific archaeological information available to a wide audience.

Royston, Hanamoto Alley & Abey, Landscape Architects and the San Francisco Recreation & Park Department for the National Register Nomination for Golden Gate Park

The award was given for the 2004 National Register of Historic Places nomination for San Francisco's Golden Gate Park. The nomination was a significant achievement because it provided national recognition to one of the finest urban parks in the American West, and was a landmark essay in how to inventory and evaluate cultural landscapes. As preservationists in the future seek methods for the inventory and evaluation of cultural landscapes, they may fruitfully turn to this nomination for guidance.

Santa Ana Historical Preservation Society for the Santa Ana History Coloring Book

The Santa Ana Preservation Society uses its coloring book program to bridge generations and cultures in the rapidly changing population of that city. The 12-page coloring book for school-age children includes drawings of local historic landmarks and games with historic themes, with text in English and Spanish. The book was created as part of the Society's Living History outreach program for local students and is distributed free to schools and individuals. The little book is a model for communities seeking to engage their young and culturally diverse audience into the common heritage of the region.

Skid Row Housing Trust for St. George Hotel Apartments

This award is for a pioneering effort to restore the architectural vitality of downtown Los Angeles, while preserving housing for the lowest income members of the community. The St. George Hotel, built in 1904, was near demolition after years of use as a single room occupancy hotel when it was acquired by the Skid Row Housing Trust. Opened in 2004, the 86 unit hotel offers attractive permanent housing with services to the very poor and persons with disabilities who previously lived in shelters or on the street. A depressed section of downtown regains a handsomely restored piece of its history, while the neediest of the city gain a comfortable and affordable place to live. The project is a model for how historic preservation goals may complement low-income housing and urban revitalization.

University of California at Berkeley for the University of California Landscape Heritage Plan

This award was for a Landscape Heritage Plan at the University of California, Berkeley. This study seeks to take the University's historic preservation efforts to a new level, going beyond building restoration to "a holistic view of the rich landscape setting that hosts these architectural treasures." The landscape at Cal has developed over a century and a half, with plans by Frederick Law Olmsted, John Gregg, Thomas Church and others. The Landscape Heritage Plan will guide new construction in a way that respects the structural elements of the landscape, such as plazas and walkways, as well as the vistas that are framed by clusters of historic buildings. The plan is an important milestone in planning for future growth in a way that respects the cultural landscape.



Pictured Left to Right: Milford Wayne Donaldson, FAIA, State Historic Preservation Officer; Richard Barron, Architect; Alexis Lang, Skid Row Housing Project; and Ruth Coleman, Director of California State Parks.

(Photograph courtesy of California State Parks)

Adoption of the Comprehensive Statewide Historic Preservation Plan

A major accomplishment of the Commission during 2005 was consideration and adoption of a five-year Comprehensive Statewide Historic Preservation plan, to guide the operations of the OHP between 2006 and 2010. By federal regulations, OHP (and similar offices in other states) must periodically update its statewide historic preservation plan, as a condition for receiving federal funds to support the operations of the office. (OHP operates on approximately 60 percent federal funding.)

The Commission conducted four public hearings as part of the development of the Plan, as part of the four regularly scheduled public hearings by the Commission. In each case, the Commission heard an update from OHP staff on the course of development of the Plan, offered comments on the direction of the Plan, and took public testimony on the Plan.

In August 2005, the Commission adopted conceptual approval of the Draft State Plan and in November 2005, unanimously approved the Final State Plan.



Introduction Page of California Statewide Historic Preservation Plan 2005-2010

National Historic Preservation Fund Grants for Certified Local Governments

The State Historical Resources Commission unanimously ratified the selection of grant awards to Certified Local Governments (CLG) from the FY2005/2006 National Historic Preservation Fund. Six California CLGs received \$110,000 for preservation activities.

- **City of Ontario** – Development for Phase III of the Cultural Resources Database application, including OHP interface and GIS linking. \$25,000.
- **City of San Clemente** – Development of a historic context for the City of San Clemente, and to update the 1995 survey. \$16,000.
- **City/County of San Francisco** – Refinement of the historic context for the Mission District, and to complete a reconnaissance level survey of the Inner Mission area. \$22,500.
- **City of San Jose** – Refinement of the Japantown historic context, and completion of an intensive level survey of potentially significant properties identified in the 2003-2005 CLG grant-funded reconnaissance survey. \$5,000.
- **City of San Juan Bautista** – Development of a historic context, and to conduct a reconnaissance level survey of the City with intensive level survey of proposed historic district/s. \$24,000.
- **City of Vallejo** – Completion of a Historic Structures Report for the National Historic Landmark Mare Island Naval Shipyard Building 104, St. Peter's Chapel. \$30,000.



St. Peter's Chapel, National Historic Landmark Mare Island Naval Shipyard Building 104. (Photograph from Historic American Building Survey American Memory Collection, online at Library of Congress)

State Historical Resources Commission Committee Activities

The Commission continued the practice of employing an independent committee system designed to take the lead on specific preservation issues, and provide advice and guidance to the Commission. Each committee met as a working group and presented progress reports to the Commission as needed.

In 2005, there were seven committees:

- **California Register Regulations Assessment Committee** – This committee exists for the purpose of assessing the effectiveness of the regulations for the California Register of Historical Resources, which were adopted in 1999 and have not been amended. The committee has been observing those aspects of the regulations that are ambiguous or awkward and for which revisions may be in order.

During 2005, the committee did not meet as a full board but the committee chair held extensive discussion with the staff of OHP regarding broadening the public membership for the committee and the scope of changes that might be made to the regulations.

- **Cultural Resources of the Modern Movement Committee** – This committee was established to examine standards that should be used in evaluating significance for resources of the Modern Movement, particularly buildings constructed since 1945.

During 2005, this committee met on several occasions, its work culminating in holding a symposium on Modern resources at the 2005 California Preservation Foundation, held in Riverside in May.

- **Information Center Procedural Advisory Committee (ICPAC)** – This committee exists to provide advice for the operations of the 12 “information centers” through which the Commission and OHP provide data to the general public about historic and archaeological properties. The ICPAC includes two Commission members as well as representatives of the Information Centers.

During 2005, the ICPAC members from the Commission served as liaisons between the Commission and the California Historic Resource Information System (CHRIS), receiving quarterly reports from CHRIS coordinators and sharing those reports with the Commission.

- **Public Outreach Committee** – The committee exists to serve as an interface with historic preservation oriented groups and agencies outside the Commission, and to broaden the influence of the Commission in areas of the state, and among groups within the state that have not participated actively in the business of the Commission.

During 2005, Committee members and staff from the OHP helped organize a Heritage Tourism Symposium, held in conjunction with the California Preservation Conference in Riverside in May 2005.

- **Public Policy and Legislation Committee** – This committee exists to advise the Commission generally about public policy or legislative initiatives that might affect the operations of the Commission or OHP.

During 2005, the Public Policy and Legislation Committee monitored legislation at the state and federal levels that might impact the operations of the Commission and the OHP. The Committee was particularly involved with draft federal legislation that would have affected the regulatory program of the OHP.

- **California Historical Building and Safety Board** – This committee includes one or two members who serve as Commission representatives on the State Historical Building Safety Board, which is housed in the Office of State Architect and is responsible for implementing the California Historical Building Code.

During 2005, members of this Committee met twice with the State Historical Building Safety Board when the board took important actions, including major revisions to the California Historical Building Code.

- **Yearly Goals and Objectives Committee** – This committee exists to formulate goals and objectives for the Commission, on an annual and long-term basis.

During 2005, this Committee met for the purpose of updating the goals of 2005, for incorporation into the proposed goals for 2006.



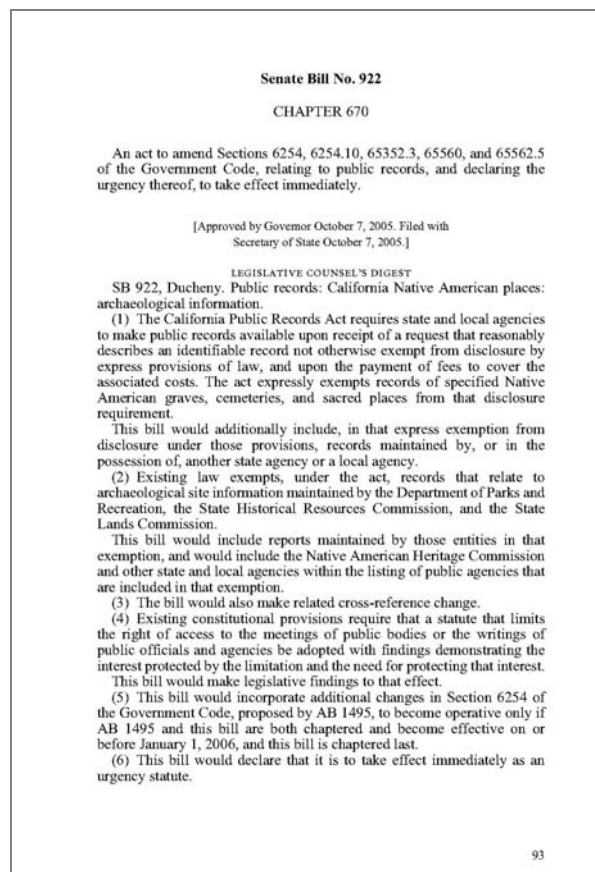
Commissioners Left to Right: Lauren Bricker, Carol Novey, Mary Maniery, William Hilldebrandt, Kathleen Green, Claire Bogaard, and Luis Hoyos at the May 12, 2005, meeting in Riverside, California

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY FOR 2005

There was a minimal amount of legislation that warranted the Commission's attention. Two bills in particular were followed closely by the Commission.

SB 169 (Migden) Historic Preservation: Saint Brigid Church – This bill would exempt Saint Brigid Catholic Church in San Francisco from provisions in existing law that allow churches to reject historical landmark status. The bill was awaiting hearing in the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee. It was then moved to the Assembly Inactive File.

SB 922 (Ducheny) Public Records: California Native American Places: Archeological Information – This bill would exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act information obtained as a result of consultations involving state or local government and a California Native American tribe, and reports that relate to archaeological site information maintained by the Department of Parks and Recreation, the State Historical Resources Commission, and the State Lands Commission. The bill passed out of Senate Judiciary Committee on April 19, 2005. It was Chaptered by Secretary of State as Chapter 670, Statutes of 2005.



Page 1 of Senate Bill No. 922, available online at www.sen.ca.gov.

PROGRAM AND LEGISLATIVE GOALS FOR 2006

- Goal 1:** Work to solidify the place of preservation, the OHP and the Commission in State Government.
- Action1(a): Join with other advocates, especially the California Preservation Foundation, Californians for Preservation Action, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation in assuring the future.
 - Action1(b): Continue to monitor and participate in the dialogue of state government restructuring.
- Goal 2:** Continue to work with local governments on interpretations of the Mills Act incentive program that benefit historic buildings, their owners, and their communities.
- Action 2(a): Identify and contact key cities and counties that are working towards Mills Act programs to share valuable information.
 - Action 2(b): Continue to work with preservation partners to codify appropriate tax assessment procedures and policies for Mills Act properties.
- Goal 3:** Continue to work toward streamlining the application process for the California Register of Historical Resources.
- Action 3(a): The California Register Regulations Assessment Committee will put forth proposed changes to the Regulations and follow the standard process of adoption of such changes.
 - Action 3(b): Staff and the Commission, California Regulations Assessment Committee in particular, will publicize and work with constituents to seamlessly enact such changes.
- Goal 4:** Increase the Commission's outreach efforts to all Californians.
- Action 4(a): Expand the efforts and sponsored activities of the Commission's Public Outreach Committee.
 - Action 4(b): Better utilize the Commission's quarterly meetings to engage with the local communities in which it meets.
 - Action 4(c): Continue to engage and collaborate with preservation and cultural heritage advocacy groups throughout the state.

Goal 5: Continue the important groundwork laid at the California Cultural Heritage Resources Summit by engaging with our partners on charting a course for the management of the State's cultural heritage.

- Action 5(a): Facilitate cross-organizational connections, meetings, and events.
- Action 5(b): Work closely with state agencies and departments to implement the short- and long-term goals developed at the Summit.

Goal 6: Continue to strengthen and deepen the Commission's committees.

- Action 6(a): Appoint a committee to explore a greater role for OHP and the Commission in the field of heritage tourism.
- Action 6(b): Support the critical work of other seven committees.

Goal 7: Increase the viability and usefulness of OHP information management system, and in particular the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS).

- Action 7(a): Explore a range of funding options, in particular from non-traditional sources, for OHP information management system and in particular for the OHP's GIS coverage of cultural resources in California.



State Historic Resources Commissioners and Staff at the Santa Fe Depot,
Fresno, Fresno County, California
(Photo courtesy of Karana Hattersley-Drayton)

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

The Commission adopted twelve resolutions in 2005.

Resolution No. 2005-01 recognizing the City of San Juan Bautista's achievement at becoming a Certified Local Government.

Resolution No. 2005-02 recognizing the California Mission Foundation's dedication to preservation and the Office of Historic Preservation's appreciation for the Foundation's work, and efforts to protect these important places in the history of all Americans.

Resolution No. 2005-03 commending the City of Riverside for its vision, dedication, and leadership in historic preservation and community planning.

Resolution No. 2005-04 commending State Historical Resources Commissioner William R. Hildebrandt, Ph.D., for his dedicated public service in support of historic preservation, especially for his personal commitment to the identification and protection of the state's significant archeological and historic resources.

Resolution 2005-05 recognizing the Riverside Municipal Museum for providing a valuable experience for both residents and visitors alike with exhibits reflecting the cultural diversity of Riverside.

Resolution 2005-06 commending California Citrus State Historic Park for preserving part of the rapidly vanishing citrus cultural landscape, and chronicling the citrus industry's role in the history and development of California's economy and culture.

Resolution 2005-07 commending Commissioner Anthea Hartig, Ph.D. for her dedicated public service in support of historic preservation, especially for her personal commitment to the identification and protection of the state's significant historic resources.

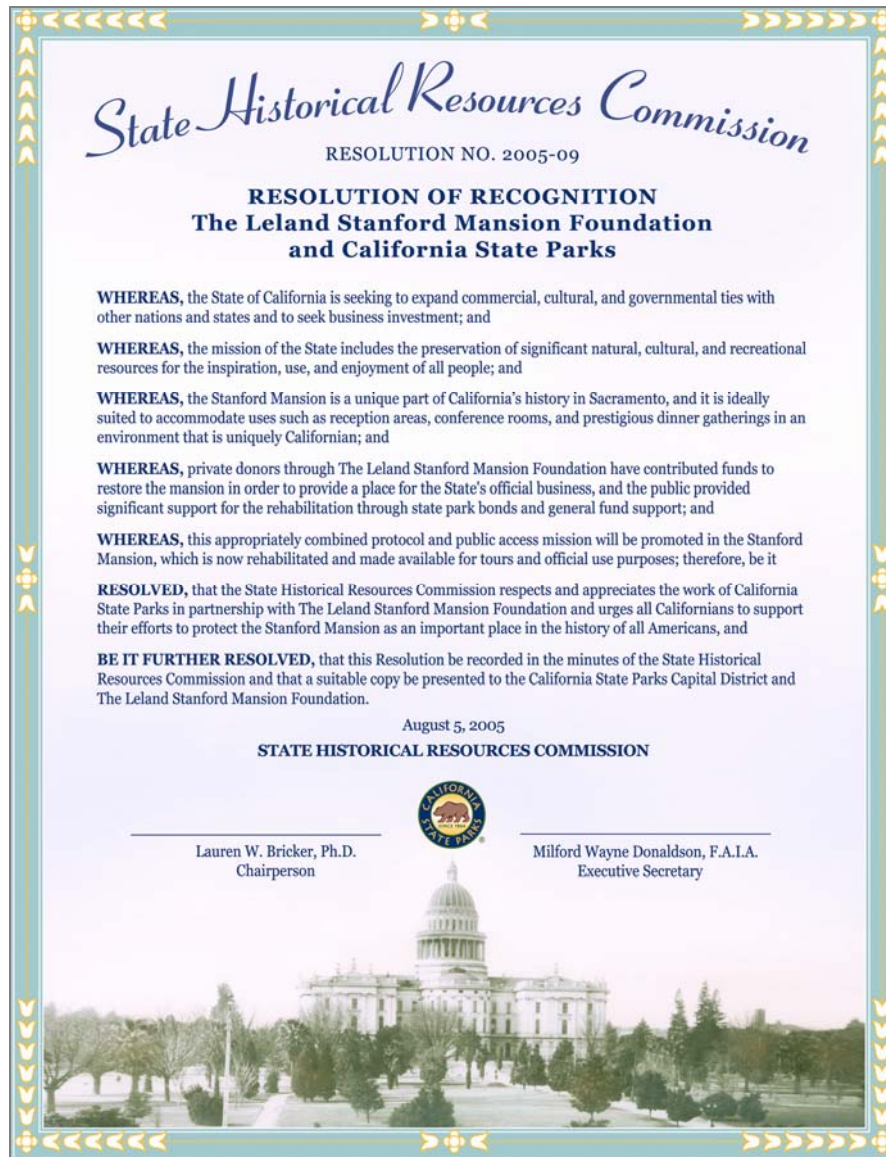
Resolution 2005-08 commending Commission Philip Choy for his loyal public service in support of historic preservation, especially for his personal commitment to the identification and protection of the state's significant ethnic architectural heritage and historic resources.

Resolution 2005-09 recognizing The Leland Stanford Mansion Foundation and California State Parks for their partnership in preserving and protecting The Leland Stanford Mansion's important place in the history of all Americans.

Resolution 2005-10 recognizing the Sacramento Historical Society for stimulating inquiry and the lively exchange of ideas and information about the history of Sacramento, and its relevance to the history of the state through its many excellent publications.

Resolution 2005-11 recognizing the Locke Historic District for preserving part of the rapidly vanishing Chinese cultural landscape and chronicling the history and development of California's culture.

Resolution 2005-12 recognizing the City of Fresno for its vision, dedication, and leadership in historic preservation and community planning.



Copy of Resolution 2005-09 recognizing the Leland Stanford Mansion Foundation and California State Parks